



St Mary's Catholic Primary School

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14th June 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

We welcome everyone to our Year 3 Liturgy and Mass on Friday 21st June, at 9.15 a.m. and we look forward to seeing you there. Readings will be sent home next week for your child to rehearse, if they have a part.

It's great to see so many of you are using the 'Times Tables Rock Stars.' Please continue to do so. There will be house points for children who use the system regularly.

Thank you to all the parents who have signed up to the Marvellous Me App. If you haven't done so yet, please do. It's a great way to find out more information and see how your child is doing in school.

Literacy

Reading:

Please support your child with their daily reading and sign your child's diary daily. As well as recording their school books, we encourage you to record any other home/ library book or text that they read. It is lovely to see your child reading and enjoying a wide variety of texts. **Please sign your child's diary 3 times per week. We will collect diaries in each Tuesday to check this. Your child will receive a house point if they have three signatures for the week. Please ensure your child has their reading book and diary in school every day.**

In Guided Reading lessons the focus this half term will continue to be broadening an understanding of vocabulary. The children are continuing to investigate meanings of words and answering questions about the authors choices of language in our exciting text: 'Escape from Pompeii.'

SPAG

Speech marks.

During our spelling and grammar lessons, we have been doing spelling practise using new strategies. We are revisiting how to use speech marks correctly and revising grammar rules for using 'a' and 'an'.

Spelling:

Please continue to help your child learn their weekly spellings. The spelling list for this half term is in your child's Homework Book.

Writing:

"Inspiring each other to learn, in the light of Christ"

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This week the children have continued to develop their descriptive writing based on the class text 'Escape from Pompeii! They have planned a scene from the text in their own version and next week they will be writing up their Pompeii story that they have planned. We will be focusing on improving/self and peer editing.

Mathematics

We started our angles unit of work this week and we have been recognising angles as a description of a turn and angles in shapes. The children have begun to learn about right angles, acute and obtuse angles. The children will be carrying out investigative work on angles next week.

Maths/ SPAG homework - Please ensure your child completes their homework sheet and brings it into school on a **Tuesday** to be marked. Thank you. If your child needs some extra help with their homework please could they inform us before Tuesday, so that they have the opportunity to mark the homework together.

RE

In RE next week the children will be retelling the story of Saul. They will be using drama, artwork and written work to retell this story.

Science

This week we will studied the life cycle of a plant, using drama, research and diagrams. Next week we will complete this task and then begin our 'Light' topic. We will be researching light sources in and around the school and begin to look at shadows, when the sun comes out.

History

We have been finding out about different aspects of Roman life. Next week we will continue learning basic facts about Romans, with a focus on how the Roman Empire has affected Britain.

Thank you for your ongoing support at home with your children.

Year Three Team

Miss Shaw, Miss Lomas, Mrs Mills and Mrs Hennessey.